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### NOTICE

**RULES OF THE HONGKONG SAVINGS' BANK.**

1.—The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours on week-days, 10 to 3: Saturdays, 10 to 1.

2.—Sums less than \$1, or more than \$200 at one time will not be received. No depositor may deposit more than \$2,000 in any one year.

3.—Depositors in the Savings' Bank having \$100 or more at their credit may at their option transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit for 12 months at 6 per cent. per annum interest.

4.—Interest at the rate of 3% per cent. per annum will be allowed to depositors on their fully balanced accounts.

5.—Each Depositor will be supplied gratis with a Pass-Book which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their Pass-Books but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and beginning of July.

6.—Correspondence as to the business of the Bank if marked "On Hongkong Savings' Bank Business" is forwarded free by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and China.

7.—Withdrawals may be made on demand, but the personal attendance of the depositor or his duly appointed agent, and the production of his Pass-Book are necessary.

For the

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,

T. JACKSON,  
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, September 1, 1888. 754

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....\$7,500,000  
RESERVE FUND.....\$4,000,000  
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROS.....\$7,500,000

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HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED.

ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits:

For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.

" 6 " 4 per cent. "

" 12 " 5 per cent. "

LOCAL BANK DISCOUNTED.

Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Debts granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON,  
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, September 4, 1888. 363

## Intimations.

### NOTICE

JEYE'S SANITARY COMPOUNDS COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Undersigned have This Day been appointed SOLE AGENTS for the Sale of these PERFECT DISINFECTANTS, and are prepared to supply quantities to suit Purchasers, at Wholesale Prices. Extra special terms for Shipping and large orders.

W. G. HUMPHREYS & CO.,  
Bank Buildings.

Hongkong, October 1, 1888. 1632

## Borneo Timber.

THE BRITISH BORNEO TRADING

AND PLANTING CO., Ltd., are

prepared to SUPPLY New and Valuable

Timbers for SHIP and HOUSE BUILDING,

FURNITURE, WHARVES, &c., in Round or

Square Logs, Beams, or Sawn to any speci-

ation. Small samples can be seen at the

Office, where also Price List and Description

can be obtained, and larger samples at our

Godowns at East Point.

The above Company have arranged for

regular Shipments to be made by the

Proprietary, Parana, and other large Steamers,

direct to this port.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.

Agents.

Hongkong, October 23, 1888. 1779

## FURNISHING DEPARTMENT.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Beg to announce that they have just received their NEW STOCK of CARPETS AND FURNISHING GOODS IN THIS SEASON'S DESIGNS, comprising:

Victorian Axminster Parquet Carpets of Indian and Persian Designs, woven in one piece, without Seam, Lane, Crawford & Co. invite special attention to the above on account of their exquisite designs and colourings, excellent quality and moderate price. A few of the Combinations of Colourings are enumerated below:

Red Indian Filling with Camel Indian Border.  
Blue Indian Filling with Camel Indian Border.  
Gold Indian Filling with Camel Indian Border.

Camel Indian Filling with Red Indian Border.

3,600 Yards BEST QUALITY BRUSSELS CARPETS in Art Designs and Colourings, with Borders and Rugs to MATCH.

2,000 Yards SECOND QUALITY BRUSSELS CARPETS in Art Designs and Colourings, with Borders and Rugs to MATCH.

3,000 Yards TAPESTRY CARPETS in Art Designs and Colourings, with Borders and Rugs to MATCH. KENSINGTON CARPETS.—These are inexpensive but most Artistic productions of the English Loom, woven in one piece, without seam, bordered, fringed and reversible: may be had in a variety of Patterns and Sizes, suitable for Reception and Bedrooms.

WESTMINSTER CARPETS.—These are similar in texture to a medium quality Brussels Carpets, most Artistic in Design, inexpensive and durable, suitable for Dining and Drawing Rooms. A great Variety to SELECT from VARIOUS SIZES.

ORIENTAL CARPETS AND RUGS.—A Splendid Collection of Antique Persian and Indian Rugs and Carpets; Daghestan, Koula, and Soudan Rugs in great variety. An immense assortment of Axminster and Velvet Hearth Rugs, Sofa Carpets, and Door Mats. Sheepskin Rugs and Mats in all Colorings.

Tapestries and Covering Fabrics.

A Splendid Selection of Patterns in WOOL, SILK and WOOL, and SILK TAPESTRIES for CURTAINS and COVERING FURNITURE. Double width, from \$100 per yard.

SILK FURNITURE PLUSHES, Utrecht, Velvets, Embossed Velvets, and Roman Satine in all the newest shades, Peacock, Ruby, Terra-Cotta, Old Gold, Sunshine, Sapphire, Cardinal, &c., &c.

TRIMMINGS.—An immense assortment of Art Trimmings & Fringes, with Gimpes, Cordes, and Tassels to match, in every possible combination of Artistic colouring. TAPESTRY and Plain MANTEL BORDERS from \$1.40 each.

CRETONNES.—A splendid range of patterns from 25 cents per yard. ALL WOOL REPS & DAMASKS, in every colouring.

TABLE COVERS.—Novelties in Plush, Satin, and Embroidered Velvet, Tapestry Covers 3 and 4 yards long for Dining Tables, 6 o'clock Tea Cloths in pretty designs. Side-board and Carving Cloths in great variety. OVERMANTELS, MIRRORS, GIRANDOLES, BRACKETS, PERAMBULATORS, &c.

ARTISTIC DRAPERY AND VALANCES.

Chenille Curtains with Borders and Dadoes.

These are woven in the CURTAIN with BORDER and DADO to MATCH, most artistic in effect, require no lining or trimming.

Household Drapery Department.

A COMPLETE STOCK OF EVERY DESCRIPTION OF HOUSEHOLD DRAPERY.—Linens, Cotton and Twilled Sheetings in all widths. White and Coloured Counterpanes every size. Toilet Covers with Fancy Sets for the Toilet Table to match. White and Coloured Dainties, Glazed China and Glassware, Table Linen and Napkins. Checked Dusters and Glass Cloths. Doyleys and Table Mats. Star Linens and Crumpled Cloths. Blough and Fancy Prints.

Blankets and Cedar Down Quilts.

Austrian, California, Suzann, and Wilney Blankets in every size.

300 FAISSES TO SELECT FROM.

Cedar Down QUILTS and PILLOWS in Turkey Chintz, Dilly-Vardon Satine, and Satin Coverings.

Chair Cushions and Feather Pillows.

Bedstead Department.

LANE, CRAWFORD & COMPANY have sold less than 100 Bedsteads in stock of various patterns to suit all purchasers; they have just received an Elegant All Brass HALF CANOPY BEDSTEAD and a very handsome All Brass POST-POST ditto, which are now on view.

SPRING MATTRESSSES.—SANCTARY WOVEN WIRE and CHAIN SPRING MATTRESSSES in every size to fit any BEDSTEAD.

Bedding.

LANE, CRAWFORD & COMPANY'S BEDDING is all manufactured by themselves and guaranteed pure, none but NEW and FIRST-CLASS MATERIALS being used. As there are several unscrupulous Traders and Dealers who, by using second-hand horse hair and stuffing, are able to offer worthless articles at comparatively low prices, Lane, Crawford & Co. beg to intimate that in making Bedding they use none but NEW and FIRST-CLASS MATERIALS and guarantees the purity of their production.

OLD MATTRESSSES purified and re-made.

OUR NEW STOCK OF FENDERS, FIRE IRONS, FIRE DOGS, ASH PANS, COAL VASES, FIRE SCREENS, NURSERY GUARDS.

Also, A very Fine Selection of MARBLE MANTEL PIECES, CURBS and TILED HEARTHS.

Every description of HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, Drawing Room, Dining Room, and Bed-room SUITES, American CHAIRS, and Bentwood FURNITURE.

OLD FURNITURE recovered equal to new.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. respectfully ask intending purchasers to COMPARE the QUALITY and PRICES of their Goods before purchasing elsewhere.

## LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

HONGKONG, October 27, 1888. 1814

## Business Notices.

Established February, 1845.

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 1888.

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## NEW GOODS.

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 1888.

## Intimations.

## For Sale.

NOW READY.  
HOW TO WRITE CHINESE,  
PT. I  
BY  
J. DYER BALL.  
Price, ..... TWO DOLLARS.

Other Books by the same Author:  
CANTONESE-MADE-EASY, 2nd Ed., \$3.00  
THE CANTONESE-MADE-EASY } ..... 1.00  
VOCABULARY } ..... 1.00  
A CHINESE-CANTONESE VOCABULARY } ..... 0.75  
KET VOCABULARY } ..... 0.75

EAST SENTENCES IN THE CANTONESE  
DICTION WITH A VOCABULARY } ..... 2.00  
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DICTION WITH A VOCABULARY } ..... 1.00  
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In the Press—Nearly Ready.

HOW TO SPEAK CANTONESE, Fifty Practical Conversations in Cantonese.

For Sale—At MESSRS. LANE, CRAWFORD & CO., 20, Morel Kelly & Walsh's, and Mr. W. W. BREWER'S, Hongkong, November 16, 1888. 1934

## To-day's Advertisements.

ZETLAND LODGE.  
No. 525.

A N Emergency MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in the FREE-MASON'S HALL, Zetland Street, on WEDNESDAY NEXT, the 21st Instant, at 5 for 5.30 p.m. precisely. VISITING BRETHREN are cordially INVITED. Hongkong, November 17, 1888. 1933

Occidental & Oriental Steamship Company.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE, VIA THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND ATLANTIC & OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

THE Steamship BELGIC will be despatched from San Francisco, via Yokohama, on WEDNESDAY, the 28th November, at 3 p.m.

Connection being made at Yokohama, with Steamers from Shanghai and Japan ports.

All Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; and will be received at the Company's Office, until 5 p.m. the day previous to sailing.

Fifths-Class Fares granted as follows:—

To San Francisco ..... \$200.00

To San Francisco and return, ..... 350.00 available for 6 months }

To Liverpool ..... 325.00

To London ..... 330.00

To other European points at proportionate rates.

Special reduced rates granted to Officers of the Army, Navy, Civil Service and the Imperial Chinese Customs, to be obtained on application.

Passengers by this Line have the option of proceeding overland by the Southern Pacific and connecting Lines, Central Pacific, Northern Pacific or Canadian Pacific Railways.

Passengers, who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within one year will be allowed a discount of 10%.

This allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.

Concular Invitations to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, shall be sent to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 504, Queen's Road Central.

O. D. HARMAN, Agent.

Hongkong, November 17, 1888. 1941

Copies of the Rules may be had on application to the Undersigned.

Subscriptions and Donations are earnestly requested.

For the GENERAL COMMITTEE, JNO. J. FRANCIS, Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, November 14, 1888. 1916

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

OMEGA, British barque, Capt. N. Brown, Edward Schellhass & Co.

RAPHAEL, American ship, Captain E. W. Harkness.—Order.

VELOCITY, British barque, Captain R. Martin.—Chinese.

For Sale.

STAG HOTEL.

NOTICE TO HOTEL KEEPERS, CLUBS, &c.

FOR SALE:

TWO ENGLISH BILLIARD TABLES, with BALES, CUES, MARKING-BOARDS, &c. Complete, £200.

A Very Handsome Set of BAR FIXTURES, quite new, Built of Solid Teakwood, Hand-carved and moulded, inlaid with PLATE GLASS MIRRORS.

Also, Several other PLATE GLASS MIRRORS; One TEAKWOOD BAR COUNTER, with Four FULL PUMPS, Fries, &c.

Two Handsome STREET LAMPS, with strong FANCY METAL BRACKETS, suitable for HOTELS or other PUBLIC BUILDINGS.

Also, SUNDAY other ARTICLES, suitable for HOTEL PURPOSES. Delivered on or after 1st December, 1888.

The HOTEL is CLOSING, on account of the PROPERTY having been SOLD.

Apply J. COOK,

Stag Hotel.

Hongkong, September 10, 1888. 1511

FOR SALE.

JULES M U M M & CO.'S CHAMPAGNE, Quarts ..... \$20 per Case of 1 dozen. Pints ..... \$2. " 2 "

Dubos Frères & Gérard & Co.'s BORDEAUX CLARETS AND WHITE WINES.

Baxter's Celebrated 'Barley Bree' WHISKY, \$7 per Case of 1 dozen.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.

Hongkong, July 18, 1888. 1187

## To-day's Advertisements.

## THE HALL &amp; HOLTZ CO-OPERATIVE COMPANY, LIMITED.

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THE HALL AND HOLTZ CO-OPERATIVE COMPANY, LIMITED.

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THE HALL AND HOLTZ CO-OPERATIVE COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR FURNISHING REQUISITES.

THE HALL & HOLTZ CO. LTD.

Hongkong, November 17, 1888.

Hongkong, moderate to light monsoon and fine weather. On 16th instant, spoke English Mail, bound North, or White Dogs.

The British steamer *Oopack* reports: Left Singapore on the 10th instant, at 4 p.m., and had light N.E. wind and heavy rain for the first three days; and thence to port strong N.E. monsoons and very high seas.

The British steamer *Agamemnon* reports: Light winds and rainy weather to Padar; thence to Macassar and Bank, fresh monsoon and equally weather; thence to port moderate monsoon and variable weather.

## MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping.

Daylight—Orato leaves for S'hai, &c.

8 a.m.—Oppack leaves for Shanghai, &c.

9 a.m.—Hinden leaves for Swatow.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES:—

St. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL.—Parade Service at 8.30. Matins, Sermon and Holy Communion at 11. Evensong and Sermon at 4.45.

UNION CHURCH.—Minister, Rev. G. H. Bondfield.—Services at 11 A.M. and 7.30 P.M.—Chorus Service at 2 P.M.—Rev. J. Chalmers, M.A., LL.D.

GERMAN BETHLEHEM CHAPEL.—Service in the German Bethel on Wednesday, every Sunday, at half-past ten A.M., in the Chapel of the Berlin Foundling House, West Point.

St. JOSEPH'S CHURCH, Garden Road.—9 a.m. Mass and Sermon, 5.30 P.M. Evening Service, Benediction.

St. PETER'S SEAMEN'S CHURCH, Sailors' Home.—Service on Sunday at 11 A.M. and 6 P.M. Thursday, at 6 P.M. The Holy Communion is administered on the Second Sunday in the month at 7.30 A.M.; on the First and Third Sundays, at noon; on the Fourth Sunday, at Evening Service.

Services are conducted by the Rev. J. A. Turner, in the Wesleyan Mission Rooms, 127 Queen's Road East, on Sundays at 9.45 A.M. and 6 P.M.

MEMOS. FOR MONDAY.

Shipping.

Noon—*Haliphong* leaves for Kobé.

4 p.m.—*Yangtze* leaves for Shanghai.

*Agamemnon* leaves for Nagasaki, &c.

Auctions.

4 p.m.—Auction of Thirty-six Lots of Crown Land at Yaumata.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.

WE HAVE NOW IN STOCK THE FOLLOWING CIGARS:—

Maria Cristina, Perla del Oriente, Londres, " London, " Damas, " Leones, " Senoritas, Nuevo Habano in 600 and 100 Boxes, " 2nd

" Nuevo Cortados " Boxes,

FLORE DE LA ISABELLA, PRINCESAS, EXTRACTOS, ORIENTALES and ISADELES, IMPERIALES, CAZADORES IMPERIALES, EXCEPTIONALES, PREMIADOS, PRINCIPALES, CORATDOS, SENORITAS, MARQUEZON, FLORE DE PREMIADOS, PAQUETES REGALIA BRITANICA, REGALIA INGLESA, CHICUROS, BURROS, AND ROUQUETS DE WATSON.

SWEET CAPORAL AND OLD JUDGE CIGARETTES.

A. S. Watson & Co., Limited, HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

October 27th, 1888. 1816

The publication of this issue commenced at 8.45 p.m.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 1888.

TELEGRAMS.

MR. PARRELL AND THE 'TIMES.'

The Pioneer's London telegram says a responsible person entirely in the confidence of Mr. Parrell, having gone carefully through all the evidence bearing on the letters upon which the *Times* relies in support of its case, assures him that the evidence is irresistible that the letters are forged. Mr. Parrell will produce this evidence and also the forger himself.

A MEETING of the Legislative Council will be held on Monday next, the 19th instant, at 4 p.m. The following is the orders of the day:—

1. Report of Finance Committee, Nov. 27 and 30.

2. First reading of the following Bills:—

(a.) The Chinese Emigration Consultation Ordinance, 1888.

(b.) An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 16 of 1886.

(c.) The Evidence Consultation Ordinance, 1888.

(d.) The Compensation to Families Ordinance, 1888.

(e.) An Ordinance to amend Ordinance 6 of 1887.

3. Second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance for the naturalization of Elias Isaac Elias otherwise Elias Isaac Elias Zachariah.

4. By-Laws under the Public Health Ordinance.

The first football match of the season will be played on the Causeway Bay Ground, under association rules, on Monday next, the 19th inst. between the Club (colours) and a team of the 'H' and E. Companies, 55th Regiment (whites). There will be chairs and refreshments for the ladies on the ground as usual. Play to commence at 4.15.

The following team will represent the Club:—G. Ballcock, J. P. Brown, E. E. W. Maitland, G. Macdonagh, E. E. Maclean (Captain), G. McPherson, R. Marshall, Jr.

Regimental Team:—Lieut. Huntman, (Capt.) Lieut. Holmes, (2 Coy.) Lieut. Bailey, (H Coy.), Private Hunter (H Coy.), Private Crossman, (2 Coy.), Private Baxter, (H Coy.), Private Ploughman, (H Coy.), Corp. Wrights, (E Coy.), Private Aldridge, (E Coy.), Private Hayford (E Coy.), Private Hatch, (E Coy.), Private Houghton, (E Coy.).

According to the census taken by the Home Department officials, the total population of Japan, on the 31st of December last, was 39,066,067, of whom 10,313,864 were males and 19,357,603 were females showing a preponderance of the former over the latter of 203,701.

The flags of the C.M.S.N. Co.'s steamers and wharves were at half-mast on the 12th inst. out of respect to the memory of Mr. Chen Shu-tang, or Chau Pak-nam, as he was known to foreigners. The deceased was many years ago a tea-merchant here (Shanghai), afterwards one of the Directors of the old C.M.S.N. Co. He was subsequently Chinese Consul General at San Francisco, and then Chinese Resident at Seoul, and he used to give graphic accounts of the dangers he passed through at the time of the *coup d'état* there. At the time of his death, which occurred on Sunday, at the age of sixty, of dropsy, the deceased was one of the Directors of the present C.M.S.N. Co. He was very popular among all who knew him, and at the time of his death was worth some Tls. 700,000.

N.-C. Daily News.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping.

Daylight—Orato leaves for S'hai, &c.

8 a.m.—Oppack leaves for Shanghai, &c.

9 a.m.—H

**AN AMUSING NOTICE.**—The following amusing notice of the picture exhibition held in the native town, Nagasaki, during the past week, was circulated throughout the foreign settlement:—

**Notice.**—An Exhibition of Pictures western and eastern style, drawn by the excellent painters in Japan, is to be held in Hon-  
gji, from 30<sup>th</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov., on the purpose of extorting the fine-art arts Nagasaki; and it is hoped that foreign gentlemen will come and criticise the pictures arranged. The pictures are to be sold if desired.

October 17<sup>th</sup> 1898.  
**MASHIDA,**  
PAINTED,  
HOKKAIDO MACHI.

—Nagasaki Express.

According to the quarterly returns of trade (July—September 1898), just issued by the Statistical Department of the Imperial Maritime Customs, the total collections for the period under review, show a decrease by HK. Ts. 204,407, as compared with the same quarter 1887. The collections for Kowloon and Lappa, on the contrary, show an increase of HK. Ts. 60,389, as per table:—

STATION.	TOTAL COLLECTION.	SAME QUARTER
	1897.	
Hk. Ts.	Hk. Ts.	
Kowloon.....	153,526	141,453
Lappa.....	28,636	61,336
Total.....	HK. Ts. 253,183	HK. Ts. 202,794

The *Straits Times* of 8th inst. says:—The now famous Manila Lottery Case was again up for hearing this morning. Mr. Manson appeared for the prosecution, and addressing the Court, said that since the case was up the last time he had been instructed by the Attorney-General that inasmuch as Mr. Goaling was willing to plead guilty to the third and principal charge, namely, that of selling Manila Lottery tickets, that the Government was willing to ask for a nominal fine only sufficient to show that the law was good, and that it was utterly illegal for any person to deal in such tickets. Mr. Joquin, for Mr. Goaling, said his client was quite willing to plead guilty to this charge, and he drew the attention of the Court to Mr. Goaling's conduct when the officers searched his store, as he willingly threw everything open to them. Furthermore, he was quite sure that his client would not again engage in this traffic. Mr. Korshaw said he thought that in the circumstances he would be quite justified in inflicting merely a nominal fine, and he would therefore fine the defendant in the sum of \$20. The tickets which were taken by the police would of course be forfeited.

Under the heading 'Singapore news from Hongkong' the *Straits Times* says:—

At the last meeting of the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council of Hongkong, the question of salaries and exchange was under consideration, when the following remarks were made:—

'The Chairman said there had been a revision in Singapore, and salaries had been increased 25 per cent.'

Hon. B. Layton said that the revenue of the colony was reckoned on the currency basis, and his thoughts salaries should be reckoned on a similar basis. He would be prepared to do as had been done in Singapore, and increase the salaries 20 per cent.

We fancy that this will be news to our Singapore officials. They should find out how that twenty per cent rise has got lost on the way.

The P. & O. s.s. *Parramatta*, in coming through the Suez Canal on the 18th ultimo, encountered a dense dust storm for several hours. The steamer touched three times, the last time remaining fixed for three hours. Before leaving the lake she had to anchor for twenty-seven hours in consequence of the s.s. *Sematre* having stuck fast, and having had to discharge cargo into barges in order to lighten her so as to allow vessels to pass. Some steamers were delayed as much as three days. Deepening and widening the canal is being proceeded with in the slowest and most expensive style. A few thousand Chinamen would make a new canal in a very few years. It is a very serious matter indeed to think that at any moment the present Canal may be blocked so as to render traffic impossible, at least for a time.—*Singapore Free Press*.

A Parsee widow lady, 58, her daughter, 28, and grandson, 5, were found brutally murdered in their house at Dadur, suburb of Bombay, on the 18th inst. Their heads were beaten in by a heavy iron pestle. Plunder seems to have been the motive, as the oldest deceased was the widow of a retired bullion keeper at the Mint. She was in affluent circumstances, and jewellery and valuables of all descriptions were found strewn about the floor. No arrests have yet been made, but the police have a clue.—A later telegram says:—The Police have made five unimportant arrests in connection with Thursday's murders, in the hope of gaining a clue to the supposed perpetrator's whereabouts. A servant in the Parsee family at Dadur, who was suspected of having committed the murders has been arrested, and confessed his guilt. Most of the property has been recovered. [We are sorry to hear that the murdered people are relatives of Mr. H. M. Mehta of Hongkong.]

Letters from Aden contain particulars of an exciting chase after slave ships, which occurred a few weeks since on the East India station. H.M.S. *Osway*, Commander E. Gissing, has been serving on the East Indies station for several years, and was recommissioned at Bombay in April, 1896. On the 15th of last month, while on a cruise, the *Osway* sighted Mocha, and boarded a small ship that had been sent from Aden Bay by the *Osway*, to Mocha, for fruit. She then stood up the coast to the north until about 9 o'clock at night, when she turned round and came down slowly at a distance of about eight miles from the land. At daybreak on the following (Sunday) morning the *Osway* sighted three ships ahead and immediately went in pursuit of them. On getting within range a gun was fired from the ship as a signal to the crew to stop and submit to examination. No notice, however, was taken of this, but the crew, instead, crowded on more sail and endeavoured to escape. A well-aimed shot at the mast of the largest of the three ships speedily brought her up, but by this time the other two ships were nearly a mile ahead and widely separated, so that the capture of both was by no means easy. But a fortunate shot through the sail of the nearest resulted in her soon being made a prisoner, and the *Osway* was in pursuit of the third ship, and eventually captured her. Taking the last trip in for her Majesty's sloop steamed back to the first of the ships, and on search being made it was found that the three ships contained over 20 slaves, male and female in nearly equal proportions, and by far the larger proportion being Christians from Abyssinia. The slaves were towed to Aden, where the vessels were condemned, and the slaves were taken charge of by the authorities.—*Shipping Gazette*.

On 8th November appeared an Edict from the Emperor announcing that Yeh-ho-nala, the daughter of the Manchu Brigadier-General Kwai-siang (younger brother of the Emperor), had been selected as the consort of the youthful Emperor of China; and that two girls named Ts'e-ta, daughters of Chang-shih, a Manchu Vice-President of a Peking Board, aged 15 and 13 years respectively, had been chosen for the harem. (Owing to the insufficiency of the Chinese syllables to reproduce foreign sounds, these names only approximately represent the Tartar apppellations of these young ladies.)—*Nha-pao*.

The N.C. Daily News says:—We are informed that the necessary authority has at length been received from Her Majesty's Minister at Peking to take the *Kuling* to Chungking, but that before starting rules for the avoidance of collisions have to be agreed upon with the Chinese authorities at Ichang and published for the information of the junkmen and for the direction of the steamer. The Chinese Government has, unfortunately, laid great stress on the dangers to which the numerous junks navigating the Upper River will be exposed from steamers running there. There is little doubt that the introduction of steam navigation upon the China coast has led to the destruction of numberless craft of which nothing is heard, and where the victims of collisions have no redress, although, on the other hand, cases which come into Court often result in awards for the foreigner. Hence we cannot blame the native authorities for taking what may appear to be excessive precautions where now more like that in question is thrown out for the first time. Sir John Watson has had a hard struggle with the Taung-Yan to give practical effect to a clause in the Chefoo Convention, the execution of which, at the time, the High Contracting Parties doubted would be possible, to the regulation of the 'collision' question threatened to again adjourn the question indefinitely. Sir John appears now to have arranged that, in consultation with Mr Little and with the aid of the Ichang Consul, the Local Authorities of the Provinces of Hupeh and Szechuan shall determine on the spot the best course to be adopted for ensuring, as far as possible, the safety of both the steamer and the native craft. We cannot but congratulate our Minister upon the persistency with which he has succeeded in carrying his point so far, and only trust that the local negotiations now to be taken up will be quickly disposed of. It is true, we should have regretted the international collision laws already in force would have sufficed equally for the Upper as for the Lower River, but, at the same time, we think Sir John right in yielding somewhat to native apprehension on this score, and so at last bringing the question, which has been dragging on for some years, to a definite conclusion. It only remains now for the steamer, which is now employed on the Hankow-Ichang route, to make her start before the water falls too low and then to show herself capable of the work before her.

The majority of 65 for General Harrison shows that the Republicans carried all the States that voted for Mr. Blaine in 1884 and New York and Indiana besides. The figures will, we expect, be found to stand thus: there voted for Mr. Blaine:—

Votes.	
California.....	8
Colorado.....	3
Illinois.....	22
Iowa.....	13
Kansas.....	9
Michigan.....	6
Minnesota.....	14
Nebraska.....	7
Nevada.....	5
New Hampshire.....	3
Ohio.....	4
Oregon.....	28
Pennsylvania.....	80
Rhode Island.....	4
Vermont.....	4
Wisconsin.....	11
Total.....	183
To which add—New York.....	35
Indiana.....	51
Total Republican....	233

In 1884 the following States voted for Mr. Cleveland:—

Votes.	
Alabama.....	10
Arkansas.....	7
Dalaware.....	3
Florida.....	4
Georgia.....	12
Kentucky.....	13
Louisiana.....	8
Maryland.....	8
Mississippi.....	9
Missouri.....	16
North Carolina.....	11
South Carolina.....	9
Tennessee.....	12
Texas.....	13
Virginia.....	12
West Virginia.....	6
Total.....	153
Add—Connecticut.....	9
New Jersey.....	14
Total Democratic, , Votes—	168
Republican Majority.....	65

N.C. Daily News.

**FRAGRANT WATERS' MURMUR.** That no one has ever found fault with the professional ability of the present Surveyor General, and his diplomatic powers are held in such high esteem that I have heard it proposed to position the Queen let him be our next Governor.

That exception has repeatedly been taken to his estimate of cost, which proves that he is not only fallible, but that his ideas of economy with other people's money are seldom if ever in the ascendant.

That one thing which the community regret to see is his habit of considering the Legislative Council to be simply a machine for registering and recording the decrees of his Department.

That for ability, force of character, readiness of resource, and power of using means to gain his ends, the Hon. J. M. Price has not been excelled by any official on the roll of the Hongkong Government service.

That no amount of ability, however, can ever justify a claim of infallibility, more especially upon points that are open to discussion even amongst professional men.

That had Mr. Cooper's report seen the light about the time it was dated, and time had been given to thrash the matter out before the Estimates were brought forward for consideration, less distrust would have been manifested than there has been.

That the position assumed by His Excellency throughout this matter has been quite inexplicable, save on the supposition that he has resolved to embrace Mr. Price's opinions at any cost, and to treat the rest of the community as if they were incapable of forming an opinion.

That the suggestion of His Excellency about professional men pitting themselves voluntarily against the powerful Head of the Public Works Department here is quite too delicious, because architects and surveyors here have their living to make.

That Mr. Layton is quite right in saying that the scheme of Separate Drainage seems to be a very excellent one—until, I should add, it is carefully looked into. That people cannot have any feeling against a scheme that has been only partially explained, and which has been sprung upon us like a dynamite explosion; but that very few persons will contend that it is not capable of improvement.

That there is no impenetrable mystery in the matter of drainage, and we have sufficient practical common sense in the Colony to settle the question, although the Governor seems to think that it can be dealt with by one old and one young resident only.

That this looking through *priorespectacles* is apt to lead the Head of the Executive into queer corners, for he has included himself amongst those who know not the difference between a main-sewer and a side-channel.

That I see your morning contemporary required a good deal of space to explain himself as to the question of anonymity: it could have been done in a couple of lines of good honest Saxon.

That in one sense I am a thorough believer in the 'Separate System,' and hope the Sanitary Board will insist on its being carried out at once—the system, namely, of separating the functions of the Inspector of Buildings from those of the Sanitary Surveyor.

That the staple talk of the week has been how to get rid of 'matter in the wrong place,' and the scavenging and conveyance contracts have come in for a share of the palaver.

That the principal point in such matters is the complete and prompt removal of all such 'matter' out of the Colony, at a profit if that be possible, but not so that economy shall lessen efficiency.

That the existing pail system will be adhered to by the natives with all the tenacity of the passive Chinese character, whatever changes or improvements may ever be attempted in the European quarter; and if I lived in a Chinese house, where no water was laid on, I would fully agree with them.

That we had to pay a high price for Mr. Chadwick's Report on Sanitation, and it does not seem to have done us much good, as this question appears set to be settled at Home by authorities who have no personal knowledge of the Colony or its wants—advised, it may be, by the Surveyor General, who is stated to be on the eve of going Home.

That the good news of the appointment of (Sir) James Russell to the position of Chief Justice was a bit of intelligence which pleased everyone, and I was not surprised to observe that the Chinese were delighted with Mr. Russell's good fortune.

That bad the Colonial Office, however, excluded the Head of the Public Works Department from the Legislative Council, and left the Chief Justice where he was, they would have displayed some sense and knowledge of affairs Colonial, instead of the reverse.

That the Government seem to look on the Sanitary Board as a kind of self-acting safety-valve, for the escape of superfluous gases which might otherwise endanger the machine—anything, they appear to treat the Board with supreme contempt, and the community don't half like it.

That I am exceedingly glad to see the inauguration of a postal delivery to the Victoria Gap levels, and am afraid that the Postmaster General will not be able to recognise his Department by the time he returns to relieve his active *locum tenens*.

That the Treasury was wont to thwart the postmen and handle aspirations of the Postmaster General, was however, but that part of the play is now over and done with.

That the recent decision in the Club gambling case given by Mr. Pollock, Magistrate, was most creditable to the Police Force.

That when it was to the contention of the law, and ought to strengthen the hands of our local legislators in their proposed amendments.

That your Interviewer, by his happy account of the live, self-made King (His Majesty of the Sedangs) and his subjects, has given us a most interesting contribution to our knowledge of one of those remote 'kingdoms of the earth' of which few ever dream to be outside of fiction.

That Rider Haggard ought to secure the next interview with Mons. Myenne, and electrify the world with a soul-stirring story founded on fact.

That many gentlemen are secretly desirous of dislocating their limbs, so as to provide subjects for the fair pupils of the new St. John Ambulance class.

That the Polo Club members might be formally introduced to or affiliated with the new body of bandagers.

That speaking of Polo, I am informed there is no connection between the game of Polo and Marco of that ilk.

That the noble game flourished in Central Asia in prehistoric times, and that the name is derived from *pa*, the Tibetan word for ball.

That, spite of one day's bad weather, and the enormous number of candidates for honour, the 'Wapenshaw' of the Rife Association was finished up successfully. That the almost impossible 'possible' of Mr. Woodin and his wonderful long-range shooting stamp him as a veteran of the first water, and every one will regret that he missed the Queen's prize by making an Irish 'bull.'

That as H.E. the Governor wants to know who 'Brownie' is, I will tell him in three words—The Public Interest.

BROWNIE.

#### THIS MORNING'S FIRES.

Fire broke out this morning about 9 o'clock in a double house fronting on one side Bonham Strand and on the other Wing-lok Street. The fire is supposed to have commenced in the middle of the building on the upper floor, as the flames were soon coming out from both sides about the same time. The brigades were speedily on the spot and soon had water playing on the building from both sides. Unfortunately the engine of the Volunteers broke down shortly after they had commenced their work, and the Government brigade, under Acting Superintendent Horrocks, had the work all to themselves.

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**GRAMMATICALLY REFUSED.**  
The pedagogue among his pupils had  
loved her; who would not? Her eyes  
were soft, turned to him with saucy glance full  
of fire; And when his tiresome Latin put her out,  
Her pretty lips were all too prone to put;  
He longed to kiss them—Love had made  
him mad—

But did not dare.

One more he met her on her way to school.  
The hour was late, But wait he would not, could not. Thus  
he sighted I pitied, by my beauteous  
'Sweet maid! I pitied, by my beauteous  
bride.' Already has thou marked, nor need I tell,  
That I have loved thee long, and passing  
well! Nor time nor absence can my passion cool;  
Let's conjugate!

'Ah! with arch modesty replied the fair;  
That wold be fine; But it is impossible, for as then know't,  
Small stock of learning can thy pupil boast.  
The first declension now absorbs my  
thought;

The verb we have not yet at all been taught.  
I cannot conjugate; all I may dare  
Is to decline!'

#### AN INFALLIBLE REMEDY.

She had suffered with the phthisic, and had  
taken tons of physic.  
And whole barrels of bitter, and whole  
loads of nauseous pills;  
She'd been troubled with miasma, and al-  
most choked up with asthma.  
And been shaken for a month or two with  
ague and the chills;  
She had had the yellow fever, of which  
nothing could relieve her.  
And the rheumatism lamed her so she  
could not go about;  
And she grieved with tonsilitis, and the  
most acute bronchitis.  
And she suffered endless tortures from  
the twinges of the gout.  
She had tried old school physicians, Christian  
scientists, magicians,  
Indian doctors, electricians, and magnetie  
healers all.  
And drank tons of nauseous liquor, but  
grew over sick and sicker;  
And they got the undertaker to prepare  
her shroud and pall.  
Then great auction sales of laces advertised  
in various places.  
Caught her favorish eye one morning;  
and she leaped up sound and well;  
She shook off death's stiffening rigor, and  
with most emphatic vigor.  
She grabbed her husband's pocketbook  
and rushed down town poll mall.  
—Yankee Blade.

SOMETHING TO LOOK FORWARD TO.—'Will  
you be glad, Sammy, when your little  
brother gets old enough to talk?' 'Won't  
I though; an' if he uses cuss words I'll  
smash his little head for him.'—Lift.

#### A ROMANCE OF ROYALTY.

AN EMPEROR WHO PREFERRED THE MADAM  
SISTER TO HIS STATELY PRINCESS.

Caroline, the eldest and perhaps the most  
beautiful of the daughters of the Duke  
Maximilian in Bavaria, was born to a child,  
selected as a fitting bride for the  
heir to the Austria crown; and although  
there was no formal betrothal, her father  
was informed that she was to be educated in  
such a way as would fit her for future  
grandeur. This was more easily said than  
done, for many was scarce in the dual  
palace, but the whole family, from the  
Duke himself to his youngest child, soon  
had thrown themselves con amore into  
the work and to have cheerfully economized  
for the sake of the fortunate Caroline. She  
had professors and teachers of the best,  
and she well repaid all the care that was  
lavished upon her, for at nineteen, eleven  
accomplished and really beautiful, she was  
the very ideal of what a Queen should be.

BUT did not dare.

A witty Irishman, upon being asked for  
the definition of a bull, said: 'If you see  
two cows lying down alone, the one standing  
up is invariably a bull.'

Miss Edgeworth, in her essay on "Irish  
Bulls," gives the following: 'When I first  
saw you, I thought it was you, and now I  
see it is your brother.' 'I met you this  
morning and did not come; I'll meet  
you to-morrow morning, whether you come  
or not.' 'Oh, if I had stand in that  
climate until now I'd been dead two years.'

During the Irish House of Commons  
published this item: 'A man named Mc-  
Carthy was run over by a passenger train  
and killed on Wednesday. He was injured  
at the stately young creature who had been  
so carefully trained for him with respectful  
admiration, but he fell violently in love with  
her mother, younger sister, Elizabeth, who  
regarded in the family as a mere child and  
one, too, for whom no high destiny was in  
store, had been allowed to pass her days on  
humble securing the country side. Mini-  
sterns and courtiers stood aghast, but  
England and Parliament were alike wretched  
at the Emperor, who refused to see that a  
thing scarcely to be lived through. From  
1848, in a speech to the Vienna students,  
impressively declared: 'The chariot of the  
isolation is rolling along, and gnashing its  
teeth as it rolls.' A pan-German Mayor  
of a Rhine land city, said in an address to  
the Emperor: 'No Austria, no Prussia,  
only one Germany; such were the words  
the mouth of your Imperial Majesty has  
always had in his eye.'—Epoch.

A well-known English epigram conveys  
as follows:

'Reader, if thou canst read! This is  
something akin to the hand-board which  
The ford is dangerous when this  
board is covered by the water.'

Much education can be classed among  
the blunders. Justice Minister Hijo, in

1848, in a speech to the Vienna students,  
impressively declared: 'The chariot of the  
isolation is rolling along, and gnashing its  
teeth as it rolls.'

It is impossible to describe the crowded  
state of this city! Humanity swarms from  
every possible crevice or inch of space.

Chinese farms spring upon you out of the  
water, out of the air, even! We pass a  
white building, nearly sliding into the  
water, surrounded by huts on all sides,

which the Captain points out to us as the  
only English hotel. That heaven we have  
not to go there.

At last we reach a wharf, but entirely  
concealed by a living ant-hill of men, wait-  
ing to rush on board for the cargo, each one  
carrying his bamboo pole, with ropes swing-  
ing at the ends. Among the crowd which  
flows upon us when we stop are two men  
in uniform, who find us out. One comes  
from the agent of Parcill & Co. for me,  
while another firm has sent his boat for the  
Americans. We crawl through and over  
the boats of the native fleet, walk over chil-  
dren under the seats, packed away like  
many kittens rolled up in a lump, over men  
and women asleep on mats, until we reach  
our own boat, which swiftly bears us to the  
foreign place. Here in a moment every-  
thing is changed! Thus suddenly leaving  
the most curious sight you have ever seen,  
all bustle and confusion, and finding yourself  
in a park of big trees, large houses with  
lovely gardens, and everything as quiet as a  
country village on a Sunday morning.—  
Canton Corr. Leston Transcript.

#### TWO SUFFERING MONARCHS.

The visit of the Emperor William to Rome  
is like a moral earthquake. I learn from

private letters that one-half of the confusion  
and irritation that is existing is untold

in newspaper circles, and that the

journey of His Majesty still undecided upon

even King Humbert would be to exceed

the King of Italy.

For her the Empress Elizabeth is the

youngest looking woman in Europe. When

she sees her slight, graceful form, eyes bril-

liant with life and vigour, and complexion

that flushes and pale with every passing

emotion, it seems absurd that she should be

the grandmother of big boys and girls.

Caroline, the forsaken one, seems to have  
met her fate with true royal equanimity.

Perhaps she thought that as her sister gain-

ed what she lost it did not really matter.

If one may judge by her face her life has

always had in its eye.—Epoch.

#### SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS.

Hongkong, Saturday Noon, 17th November, 1888.

STOCKS.	Capital.	No. of Shares.	Par Value of Share.	Amount Paid-up per Share.	POSITION PER LAST REPORT.	CASH QUOTATIONS.		
						Reserve Fund.	At credit of working ac/c or Bal. B/c'd/ed.	CLOSING.
Banks.								
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation	\$ 7,500,000 60,000 \$	125 all	\$ 4,000,000 \$	10,411.36	(30, for 1 year to 31 Dec. 1887)	\$ 30, for 1 year to 31 Dec. 1887	\$ 30, for 1 year to 31 Dec. 1887	\$ 156 % prem., buyers
Marine Insurances.								
Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited	\$ 2,500,000 10,000 \$	250 \$	25 \$	696,500	(\$ 300,691.82 estimated for 1st quarter)	(\$ 20, %—\$ 2 per sh. for 1st quarter)	Oct. 11, 88 \$85, nom.	\$86
China Traders' Insurance Co., Ltd.	\$ 2,000,000 24,000 \$	83,33 \$	25 \$	650,000 \$	(\$ 291,192.28 for 1st quarter)	(\$ 10, %—\$ 550 sh. for 1st quarter)	Sept. 4, 88 \$68	—
North China Insurance Co., Ltd.	\$ 1,000,000 5,000 £	200 £	50 £	10,264,578.42	(\$ 445,634.41 for 1st quarter)	(\$ 10, %—\$ 400 sh. for 1st quarter)	April 26, 88 £12.28	—
Yangtze Insurance Association, Ltd.	\$ 200,000 8,000 £	25 all	£ 1. Ths. 75,914.31	Ths. 3,089.05	(\$ 7, for year to 31 Dec. 1887)	(\$ 7, for year to 31 Dec. 1887)	May 8, 88 £1.07, buyers	—
Chinese Insurance Co., Limited (in liquidation)	\$ 1,500,000 1,500 \$	1,000 \$	200 \$	15,285.84	(\$ 15,285.84 for 1st quarter)	(\$ 3 per cent. for 1st quarter)	April 1, 88 \$165, buyers	—
Canton Insurance Office, Ltd.	\$ 2,500,000 10,000 \$	250 \$	50 \$	303,000	(\$ 487,321.35 for 1st quarter)	(\$ 12, %—\$ 1,000 sh. for 1st quarter)	Sept. 30, 88 \$97.50	—
Straits Insurance Co. Ltd.	\$ 3,000,000 30,000 \$	100 \$	20 \$	85,000 \$	(\$ 82,170.00 for 1st quarter)	(\$ 10, %—\$ 800 sh. for 1st quarter)	July 19, 88 \$24, nom.	—
Fire Insurances.								
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	\$ 2,000,000 8,000 \$	250 \$	50 \$	1,031,480	(\$ 252,243.50 for 1st quarter)	(\$ 20, %—\$ 800 sh. for 1st quarter)	Feb. 16, 88 \$320, nom.	—
China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	\$ 2,000,000 20,000 \$	100 \$	20 \$	650,000 \$	(\$ 201,000.00 for 1st quarter)	(\$ 20, %—\$ 200 sh. for 1st quarter)	Feb. 22, 88 \$74, buyers	—
Straits Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	\$ 2,000,000 20,000 \$	100 \$	20	none	(\$ 41,162.80 for 1st quarter)	(\$ 5, %—\$ 1,000 sh. for 1st quarter)	Feb. 13, 88 \$17, nom.	—
Fire and Marine Insurances, Singapore Insurance Co., Ltd.	\$ 4,000,000 40,000 \$	100 \$	20 \$	11,875.91	(\$ 76,898.10 for 1st quarter)	(\$ 10, %—\$ 1,000 sh. for 1st quarter)	April 6, 88 \$16, nom.	—
Docks.								
Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	\$ 1,502,500 12,500 \$	125 all	none	\$ 1,138.50	(\$ 3/4 for 6 m. ending 31 Dec. 1888)	(\$ 3/4 for 6 m. ending 31 Dec. 1888)	Aug. 27, 88 33 % prem., buyers	38 % prem.
Steam-Boats.								
Hongkong, Canton & Macao Steam-boat Co., Limited	\$ 800,000 40,000 \$	20 all	\$ 8,400.00	\$ 2,968.95	(\$ 7, for 6 m. ending 30 June 1888)	(\$ 7, for 6 m. ending 30 June 1888)	Aug. 4, 88 121 % prem., buyers	121 % prem.
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.	\$ 800,000 60,000 £	10 £54.01	none	\$ 1,922.83	(\$ 5 for 6 m. ending 31 Dec. 1887)	(\$ 5 for 6 m. ending 31 Dec. 1887)	June 15, 88 20 % dis. nom.	—
Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd.	\$ 1,000,000 20,000 \$	50 all	\$ 211,000.19	\$ 3,110.37	(\$ 3,110.37 for 6 m. ending 30 June 1888)	(\$ 3,110.37 for 6 m. ending 30 June 1888)	Sept. 24, 88 \$61, buyers	—
China & Manila Steamship Co., Ltd.	\$ 175,000 3,500 \$	50 all	\$ 10,000 \$	18.55	(\$ 18.55 for 6 m. ending 31 Dec. 1887)	(\$ 18.55 for 6 m. ending 31 Dec. 1887)	Mar. 24, 88 \$169, buyers	\$160
Sugars.								
China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	\$ 1,500,000 15,000 \$	100 all	none	\$ 11,160.43	(\$ 12 per cent. for 6 m. ending 30 June 1888)	(\$ 12 per cent. for 6 m. ending 30 June 1888)	Aug. 24, 88 \$188, buyers	\$184
Luzon Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	\$ 700,000 7,000 \$	100 all	none	Dr. \$ 27,948.53	(\$ 9 per cent. for 6 m. ending 30 June 1888)	(\$ 9 per cent. for 6 m. ending 30 June 1888)	—	\$90
Mining.								
Panjim & Sugni Dus Samanir Mining Co., Ltd.	\$ 400,000 40,000 \$	10 all	none	—	—	—	\$10, sellers	\$10
Societe Francaise des Charbonnages du Tonkin	Fr. 4,000,000 8,000 Fr.	200	0.50	—	First year	—	110 % prem., buyers	110 % prem.
Wharves.								
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Limited	\$ 1,700,000 17,000 \$	100 all	none	\$ 4,224.07	(\$ 4 % for 6 m. ending 31 Dec. 1887)	(\$ 4 % for 6 m. ending 31 Dec. 1887)	May 1, 88 50 % prem., buyers	55 % prem.
Distilleries.								
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	\$ 380,000 3,800 \$	100 all						